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LETTER ACCOMPANYING INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.56, applicant(s) submits herewith the identification of patents, publications or other information of which he is aware, which he believes may be material to patentability and in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose.

Applicant(s) respectfully requests that the information enclosed herein be considered by the examiner in the above captioned application and be made of record therein.

Applicant(s) believe that the information enclosed herewith is submitted in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.97(b). Accordingly, no fee is required for consideration of the information disclosure statement. The references listed thereon have already been disclosed to the United States Patent Office, being cited in the International Search Report, issued by the United States Patent Office acting as the International Search Authority on October 24, 2005, for its International Patent Application counterpart no. PCT/US03/41850. Applicant believes that the Examiner possesses the report and copies of the individual references listed thereon. Accordingly, applicant has *not* transmitted copies of the individual references.

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This statement is made by the attorney who signs below on the basis of the information supplied by the inventor and the information in the attorney's file.

Respectfully submitted,

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